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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF IMPROVING THE PROPERTIES OF A FLOUR DOUGH, A FLOUR DOUGH IMPROVING COMPOSITION

AND IMPROVED FOOD PRODUCTS

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| 1. This communication is responsive to October 15, 2010. | | | | |
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Specification:

Under CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS, line 1, after "filed August 21, 2001," insert – now U.S. Patent 6,726,942, --.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: a dough improving composition and dough comprising an oxidoreductase which is <u>at least</u> capable of oxidizing maltose, flour and at least one further dough ingredient or dough additive wherein said oxidoreductase is in an amount which results <u>in the presence in a finished dough of 1 to 10,000 units per kg of flour</u> is not taught nor fairly suggested by the prior art or any combination thereof.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Leslie Wong whose telephone number is (571)272-1411. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday to Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Keith Hendricks can be reached on 571-272-1401. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Leslie Wong/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1789

LAW December 1, 2010